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Jackie Saunders in "Checkmate."

Wednesday and Thursday:  
Jack Pickford in "Freckles."

Friday and Saturday, Next Week:  
SPECIAL ARTCRAFT FEATURE  
Douglas Fairbanks in "Wild and Woolly"

## We Are Giving

Five per cent discount on all accounts (excepting for repair work) which are paid before February 28, after which date we shall be compelled to add bank interest to all unpaid accounts.

### We Are Also Giving---

Five per cent Discount for Cash on all Accessories purchased before March 30th.

## The General Garage

Frank H. Berry

OPPOSITE  
POST OFFICE  
Manager

## Something Wrong With Somebody

Are you preparing for great production in 1918?

Have you figured yet what your acreage is going to be this year?

Do you realize that you are expected to make two blades grow where formerly you have grown one?

There are just a few of the questions our farmers have to answer this year. The Government have apparently realized that production is what is needed above every other feature of our national life in 1918 and they are looking to the farmer to bear the heaviest part of the production campaign.

It has been widely advertised in the press that the Government is removing the duty duties imposed on farm machinery, but up-to-date we have not been able to discover any implement agent who has advertised his wares at previous prices less the 17 1/2 per cent duty.

Inquiries of our local agents have produced the answer that they have not yet received word of any change in prices, and of any impending change.

Naturally the farmer who might have contemplated placing an order for a tractor this year is waiting for the difference in price occasioned by the removal of the duty and those to whom the reduction in price might appeal are also waiting, and the result is complete stagnation.

Now is the time that orders should be placed if there is to be any Spring work accomplished which will result in increased production for 1918, for it takes the agent quite a time to fill orders for tractors, they cannot be sold like a pound of sugar nor can he lay in a stock of them.

There is something wrong. Either the duty has not been removed or else the Machinery Companies are deliberately withholding the new priced machines back for some business reason.

In view of the urgency of the matter from the production point of view the Government should take some decided action; and if that action has been taken pressure should be brought to bear on the machinery companies which will make their action fruitful of result.

### A New Service.

Manager Torgan of the Gem Theatre has recently signed contracts for a series of Artcraft Productions, which include the now famous of all film favorites, Mary Pickford and Douglas Fairbanks.

These productions have been secured at a high figure but there is little doubt but that the Gem will be packed to capacity when the films are being shown for they are well worth the extra admission which will be charged.

Manager Torgan in his efforts to give his patrons a first-class programme is deservingly of every support and these latest additions to his already excellent menus are styled the Film Classics.

The first of the series will be "Wild and Woolly" with Douglas Fairbanks the big push in a star cast, and will be shown on Friday and Saturday of next week.

### The Last Straw!

Fate is unkind to Brooke these days, and the last blow is the pending removal of the sub-agency of the land titles office. Verily, Verily, "from him that hath no shall be taken away."

## G. F. Thometz Gets Important Position

G. F. Thometz, who for the past year has been in charge of the White Farm at Maplewood has been appointed Federal Labor Agent for the State of Idaho, and left on Sunday for Boise where he will commence his duties immediately.

Mr. Thometz, or as he is more intimately known "Tommy", came to Canada four years ago in the employ of the C.P.R. Natural Resources Dept., and has been engaged on nearly all their irrigated farms or on expert agricultural.

During his brief stay in Bassano, Tommy has made a host of friends by his fine sportsmanship and excellent qualities as a worker in every enterprise which aimed at entertainment and recreation.

To mark their appreciation and as a token of the esteem with which he is regarded his friends gave a dance in his honor on Friday last, during the course of which he was presented with a beautiful pair of cuff-links as a reminder of his Bassano experiences.

His departure will be regretted by many for most of his culture are needed in the life of growing communities to offset the tendency to looseness and profligacy which is so prevalent in new lands such as ours.

## Are You A "Rummy"?

Our local sports are a jealous bunch and they seem to resent any publicity which is given to a game other than the one they indulge in.

Thus it was that following our little description of Five Pin several devotees of the Royal Game of Rummy interviewed us indignantly as to the reason we had neglected to report some of the interesting games which have taken place this year in the city since we made our commendation for that purpose.

Being above all things a reasonable kind of a fellow, we strolled into one of the parlors this week while a session was being held and we must confess that hitherto we have not realized half the joy of life.

In the particular corner where we had reserved standing room for the game were gathered some of the most highly respected and venerable of our citizens; a casual glance we should say that they were among the most weighty also.

The preliminary to the actual play are of a somewhat complex character; embracing psychological and metaphysical as well as physical and sociological considerations; it may thus be easily discerned that the game appeals to the intellect; the athletic and the social instincts of man—and undoubtedly is a supreme favorite of the Bohemian.

Rummy, we might explain, is a word which conveys a whole mercurial of exalted description. Interpreted broadly it means "Silly Ass" or as Bob McLean would have it "Darned Fool."

The question has been raised in our college of learning as to whether the game was applied to the expression of whether the expression has been applied to the game—or to use a classic phrase whether the hen or the egg was made first. However it is generally admitted that the word Rummy in most cases is a suitable expression for the game, and the players thereof.

The game is played by any number of players up to seven, and each player usually has a bunch of footers behind him.

It is not absolutely essential that a table be supplied as the game can be played on the floor if necessary; but usually a table is supplied, and chairs. The table is useful in more than one way as it comes in handy for an ash tray and usually is called on as a foot rest. But these things are not what made Roy's instructions to beginners.

There is no particular costume required for the game nor is it always necessary to make a census of the business men for donations before the play commences. It is frequently necessary however, when the roof is raised, for players to canvass the business men for credit after the game.

The only qualifications required for the game are nothing better to do, lots of luck, ability to read the private maps contained on back page.

## Going to Build?

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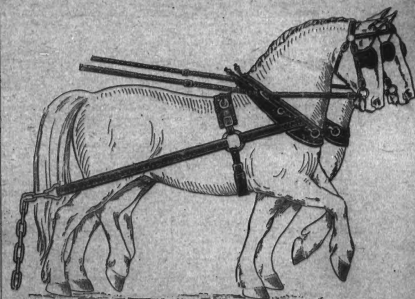
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Made Throughout from Selected Union Oak Leather.

Don't send away. Our values will be better. WE GUARANTEE A FIT. In Collars. (We stand behind our representations. We invite comparison.)

## PIERCE & CURRIE, Ltd.







## The Town of Bassano, Alberta.

## Auditor's Annual Report

For the Year Ending December 31st, 1917

## The Bassano Mail.

Publishers: The Mail Publishing Co., Ltd.  
Managing Editor: E. G. Allen.

We are printing in this issue a synopsis of the Auditor's Annual Report for 1917, which, like most documents of its kind, will be a matter of mystery to the public though the intention of the Council in publishing it is to give information.

The Waterworks account shows a deficit of \$204.59, which brings the total deficit of this department up to \$2313.05, since its installation, and we notice also that no provision has been made out of the Revenue account of this department for payment of interest on sinking fund for the debenture issues 181-230 and 242-269.

The Waterworks Dept. should pay for itself in the usual course of municipal enterprises but, having in view the large number of ratepayers who are not using the privileges which are offered them, but are holding their properties for high prices, even allowing houses and bungalows to stand vacant for years rather than install the water and sewer, making their properties revenue producing both to themselves and the town, we believe that the Council is pursuing the right policy, by providing for the debenture interest out of General Account.

The Coal Mine proposition so far has been responsible for a Cash deficit of \$111.83 with a revenue surplus of \$358.77, and, in addition will effect a large saving in the fuel bill at the pumping station before the new electrical unit is installed.

The Town's collection of property tax will necessarily be large and bounds will soon become a matter of embarrassment to the Council unless the bulk of it can be disposed of. If it were possible for the Council to finance the town without selling the property, the day would come when Bassano could discharge its liabilities through the sale of its town lots.

## FOR SALE

2 7 year old mares, well-mated, weight about 1200.  
1 year old colt.  
1 4 year old mare, weight 1000.  
1 8 year old gelding weight 1200.  
1 young mare.  
1 well-trotting machine, bore 4 ft. hole, will bore over 100 deep.  
1 1/2 hp. Gasoline Engine, and dies, electrically, will do as good work as factory.  
Apply Bert Purinton two miles west of Lethbridge.

## FOR SALE

Two Clydesdale Stallions.  
Buron O. D. Reg. No. 17669, 3 yr. old.  
St. Baron Club, Reg. No. 17602, 4 yr. old.  
Apply Walsh Bros., Enfield's Ranch.

## FOR SALE OR RENT

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Runabout - \$475  
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Irrigation makes the farmer independent of rainfall, and insures good crops, not occasionally, but EVERY YEAR.

Irrigation makes possible the success of culture of alfalfa, the King of alfalfa, which insures good returns in dairy and mixed farming.  
Irrigation means intensive farming and close settlement, with all the advantages of densely populated agricultural community.  
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Yours for business on the square  
John Clark - Gleichen  
P.O. Box 32.

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PHYSICIAN  
and SURGEON

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Estimates given free on all work.

## Bassano PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Services-7:30 p.m.  
Sunday School at 10:30 a.m.

## CHURCH OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN

Corner 6th Avenue and 6th Street  
Services every Sunday at 7:00  
Celebration of Holy Communion  
1st Sunday in every month.  
Rev. A. C. SWAINSON, Vicar.

## Bassano Lodge

No. 65  
A. F. & A. M.

Meets second Tuesday of each month.  
Visiting Brethren always welcome.  
E. Macpherson, W.M. John Golden, Sec.

## Bassano Municipal Hospital

Graduate Nurses in attendance  
for particulars write  
A. G. Scott - Superintendent

## CASH ACCOUNT

DEBIT	CREDIT
Cash on Hand and in Bank, Jan. 1st, 1917	1,083.52
Municipal Taxes Collected	1,231.37
School Taxes Collected	4,083.67
Arrears of Municipal Taxes Collected	3,743.83
Arrears of School Taxes Collected	7,233.41
Loans from Bank	15,609.94
Town Debt; Dog Taxes, Fines, Licenses	535.50
Pound Fees	65.80
Cemetery Lots sold	29.50
Rents	20,000.00
Gifts Receivable	5,519.55
Waterworks Consumers	15.00
Waterworks Consumers, Deposits	12.50
Refunds Received	1.10
Unclaimed Cheques Cancelled	14.30
Tax Enforcement Costs Refunded	4,455.71
Forfeited Lot Sales	8.30
1916 Accounts Receivable	23.50
Building and Electrical Fees	23.50
Health Dept. Fees	23.50
Salms of Gas Pipe	50.00
Coal Mine Revenue	40.00
Interest Coupons Cleared	13.50
Bank Interest on Savings Fund Deposits	1,167.40
Proportion Taxes	16.50
Outstanding Cheques	
	\$ 2,313.11

## DISBURSEMENTS

DEBIT	CREDIT
Office Expenses	574.32
Interest and Exchange	288.63
Debenture Interest	11,351.15
Debenture Principal	1,460.90
Election Expenses	21.00
Legal Expenses	31.25
Tax Enforcement Costs	43.23
Forfeited Land Sale Expenses	2,500.00
Schools	2,500.00
Police Salaries and Sundries	2,500.00
Sweeping and Incinerator Expenses	2,500.00
Proportion Taxes	31.25
Stable Expenses	4.00
Health Dept. General Expenses	4.00
Town Hall Furnishings	218.49
Town Hall Fuel, Light, Repairs and Sundries	53.84
Waterworks Operation	12,027.17
Waterworks Capital	64.30
Fire Insurance Wages and Expenses	64.30
Street Lighting	64.30
Street and Sidewalk Repairs	64.30
Wood Cutting	64.30
Gas Well Expenses	64.30
Miscellaneous Expenses	64.30
Coal Mine Operation	64.30
Hospital Expenses	64.30
Vacant Lot Gardening	64.30
1916 Accounts Payable	64.30
Notes Payable	64.30
Cash on Hand and in Bank Dec. 31st, 1917	
	\$ 2,313.11

## REVENUE ACCOUNT-General.

DEBIT	CREDIT
To Debenture Redemption	2,500.00
Stocking Fund Payments	1,460.90
1917 Debenture Interest Payable	11,351.15
Salaries	2,500.00
Office Expenses	21.00
Legal Expenses	31.25
Interest and Exchange	288.63
Public Works	64.30
Police Department	2,500.00
Fire Department	1,231.37
Street Lighting	21.00
Town Hall Expenses	31.25
Waterworks Fuel, Light, Repairs and Sundries	31.25
Tax Discounts (on Municipal Taxes only)	1,175.14
Taxes Remitted by Council	53.84
1917 Taxes on Forfeited Land	4,455.71
Gas Well Expenses	64.30
Tax Enforcement Costs	43.23
Debtors Expenses	11.00
Tax Sale Expenses	11.00
Miscellaneous Expenses	11.00
Vacant Lot Gardening	11.00
Hospital Expenses	11.00
Vacant Lot Gardening	11.00
(Error omitted) Coal Mine Operation	11.00
	\$ 34,432.10
Balance, Revenue Surplus	5,468.30
	\$ 40,432.20

DEBIT	CREDIT
By Tax Levy 1917 (for Municipal Purposes only)	30,204.28
Tax Payments Added to Arrears	1,823.93
Use Taxes	41.00
Fines	31.25
License	23.50
Rents	23.50
Building and Electrical Permits	42.27
Cemetery Lots Sold	29.50
Pound Fees	65.80
Refunds Received	1.10
Forfeited Land Sales	8.30
Interest on Wills	13.50
Tax Enforcement Costs Refunds	64.30
Board of Health Fees	23.50
Incinerator Fees	23.50
Salms of Gas Well Materials	50.00
Coal Mine Revenue	40.00
	\$ 40,432.10

## WATERWORKS OPERATION

DEBIT	CREDIT
To Discounts	3,754.28
Power House Salaries	64.30
Power House Sundries	1,200.00
Pipe Line Maintenance	40.48
Phone Line Maintenance	2.00
Meter Maintenance	82.64
General Maintenance	10.00
Disposal Works Maintenance	10.00
General Expense, Supervision, Etc.	1,400.48
	\$ 7,322.63
By Charges to Consumers	6,048.94
Fire Dept. Hydrant Rental	1,995.00
	\$ 7,322.63
By Total Revenue brought forward	11,710.04
Deficit for Year	4,387.61
	\$ 7,322.63

DEBIT	CREDIT
Deficit for Year as above	4,387.61
Deficit brought forward from previous years	1,823.93
	\$ 2,313.50

## BALANCE SHEET AS AT DECEMBER 31ST, 1917.

DEBIT	CREDIT
Cash on Hand and in Bank	2,313.11
Unclaimed Taxes	1,460.90
Unpaid Debentures	1,460.90
Debenture Arrears as decreed by principal payments	24,000.00
Waterworks Accounts Outstanding	1,460.90
Miscellaneous Outstanding Accounts	83.00
Arrears of Gas Well Revenue	64.30
Public Works Materials and Sundries	3,375.70
Office Furniture	40.00
Police Department Cots and Equipment	40.00
Health Department Equipment	40.00
Hospital Equipment	40.00
Town Hall Property	40.00
Industrial Bldg	40.00
Schools	40.00
Proportion Taxes	40.00
	\$ 40,432.10



**Identity.**







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## UNION BANK OF CANADA

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## Local and Personal.

Ed. Purcell was a visitor to town on Friday last.

Service at the Anglican Church next Sunday will be held at 7.30 p.m.

Mrs. and Miss B. Lee were visitors to Calgary on Friday and Saturday.

Mrs. Morden and Mrs. Munick were present at the Methodist Assembly held in Edmonton last week.

H. Nash received a visit on Saturday from his brother, who is a farmer in the Gladsby district.

C. Elliott, of Brooks, is relieving the quarantine angel of the dam for a few weeks.

The Oddfellows will hold the second of the series of Card Parties next Thursday.

Ray Larson of Hutton bought a basket at the Hutton social. Watch the price of wheat go up.

The next meeting of the Hutton Crow Society will be held at Mrs. Murdoch's residence on Friday at 2.30 p.m.

J. H. Walker reports for duty this week, his appeal for exemption having been refused by the Central Appeal Judge.

Leslie Toth, who was recently transferred to the Union Bank at Pincher Creek was a visitor to town on Sunday last.

Pte. Roy Lane, during his recent visit to Bassano, was the recipient of a host of congratulations upon his military stride and bearing, especially the former.

Commissioner Greaves of Calgary was in town on Sunday inspecting the new installation of the Electric Light plant. Wonder if he decided to reduce the price of the juice.

W. Langstroth arrived in town on Monday to succeed E. G. Holley at the Bassano Meat Market. Mr. Holley will in future manage J. E. Evans & Sons business in Bassano.

Mr. and Mrs. J. King who have been spending the winter in the States returned to Bassano on Monday.

S. A. Watson, one of Bassano oldtimers who left the fold for fresh and greener pastures was in town on Tuesday. He still thinks Bassano is the best, etc.

Dr. W. G. Neilson sustained a painful injury to one of his fingers last week at the bowling alleys which necessitated a visit to Calgary for repairs.

Jack Allen who for the past few months has been taking in the rights at Hochester, Minn., arrived home last Friday. He has a lot of wonderful stories to tell, some of which are actually true.

Gunner LaZerte, who for the past few months has been studying mathematics and other stunts used in the army, including the rules and regulations thereof, was allowed out of barracks on parole for the week end, and just naturally gravitated to Bassano.

Since the article dealing with the price of tractors on front page was written and set up W. J. Robinson announced that he is selling Tractors at old prices less the duty, and invites farmers to see him at once.

Pte. G. H. Travis will leave for Overseas with the next draft, and was in town this week paying farewell calls, which signifies an early departure. Mayor George will carry with him the good wishes of the whole community.

Mr. T. Paten of Robertson's College Edmonton, will preach for a call at the Presbyterian Church on Sunday Evening at 7.30. All Members and adherents are asked to make a special effort to be present.

Pte. Eric Small of the 78th Battery, arrived in town on Saturday and was busy paying farewell visits till Monday. Eric seemed tickled to death with his new job, and looked every inch a soldier, which is some statement to make of a fellow who measures 80 inches.

## The Military Service Act.

Interesting Appeal Cases

RE STARK (Serial No. 12704) L.C. 1. This was an application for leave to appeal from the decision of His Honour Judge Melroy, sitting as an Appeal Tribunal at Saskatoon, Saskatchewan. He endorsed the decision of Saskatchewan Local Tribunal No. 128, which closed exemption in case of the appellant. Leave to appeal was refused by His Honour Judge Melroy.

The Central Appeal Judge: The applicant originally based his claim upon the alleged importance of the business in which he is engaged in Saskatoon, wholesale and retail sale, and also upon the fact that he has purchased a quarter section of land under a crop agreement. The date of this agreement is not stated in the papers as far as can be gathered it appears to have been made in the year 1917. The applicant does not say that he is a competent or experienced farmer, and there is no reason to suppose that agricultural production will suffer by the drafting of applicant.

Leave to appeal refused.

## Are You A Rummy?

Continued from front page.  
 on the cards and a hole as thick as a rhubarb. The latter is necessary to be able to stand the vibration of your table opponents.

Each man has dealt him a certain number of cards by a man called the dealer. This necessity of the dealer is responsible for the expression "I dealt him a packet." The cards are not delivered in a packet but given out singly until each player has his hand dealt. This is done to allow each player time to spread a camouflage over his cards by remarks which are supposed to mislead your opponents.

After each man has sub-divided his hand into pairs, straights, etc., the player next to the dealer may draw a card from the pack and if suitable he says thank you and discards one from his hand which is useless. If however the card he draws is no better than he has he usually says - "I - and returns it to the discard pack, fall in to show his reasons for his exclamation. This is called the arrival of the first. One of the remarkable features of the game is the usefulness displayed by the players, for they usually choose the smaller cards and leave the larger ones for their opponents.

The game thus goes fairly on until one of the players has been able to complete his collection sufficiently to leave them down.

Then the excitement begins. Each losing player holds a postmortem examination of his opponent's hand and explains for the satisfaction of the spectators, that if he had had such and such cards he could have "laid down" long ago. The expression "laid down" is one which usually applies to a man who is of a chilly nature and place 3 aces or diamonds on the table and is satisfied with the list of saving points in the final reckoning.

The object of the game is to kill time, the patience and poker, but it often deteriorates into mere money and delirious objectives, and we are surprised that the Social Service League did not discuss the question at their recent convention held in Calgary.

It may time be seen that a tremendous mental energy has to be exerted if one is to be a successful Rummy, and it is seldom that any man who has the brains during the day is able to stand the strain of Rummy at night.

## Furniture For Sale

A quantity of good household furniture, nearly new, and in excellent condition. Apply Box L. 123, Bassano Mail Office.

Bassano was electrified on Tuesday by the news of Gunner LaZerte's latest escapade. On second thoughts however considering the number of lynchings he has courted while at Bassano its not a great wonder that a Bachelor girl finally landed him. Besides M. E. has become so accustomed to breaking O.H. and other things since his enlistment that the restraining influence of matrimony can have but little terror for him.

Mr. R. P. Findlay manager of The Canadian Bank of Commerce has been appointed local representative for the Imperial Royal Flying Corps, Canada. This branch of the Military Service is urgently in need of suitable men and any person interested can obtain all of the necessary information regarding qualifications etc. from Mr. Findlay. The age limits for this service now are seventeen years six months to thirty years. The local interviewing Committee are H. O. Stead, Robert McLean and R. P. Findlay.

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## Boys' Tweed Bloomer Pants

Cotton Lined, Belt Loops and Patent Fastener at knee. Sizes 26 to 35 - from \$1.90

## Boys' brown Corduroy Pants

Bloomer style, Belt Loops and Heavy Lined. An extra strong for hard wear, Sizes 24 to 34 From - \$2.00

## Groceries and Fruit and Provisions Vegetables.

Always fresh stock on hand  
 Dill Pickles - 25c. doz.  
 Finest Pineapple, etc., 25c. & 35c.  
 Potatoes, Cabbage, Carrots,  
 Parsnips and Turnips.  
 Apples, Oranges, Bananas

JAS. JOHNSTON The Quality Store.

# NOTICE!

To whom it may concern:

On account of poor collections and by reason of the fact that we now have to pay cash for all our supplies, I am compelled to place my business on a cash basis.

Any credit accounts which may be arranged will draw ten per cent interest if not paid when rendered.

M. R. MILROY,  
 Blacksmith - Bassano

## Ogilvie's Gov'ment Standard Flour

For Sale by

McKee, The Grocer - Bassano

## Home Dressed Meats

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one of our meals on the table is a treat and also a temptation. Just to taste it is to know the real joy of eating and to long for more. Beef, lamb, pork or veal, the result is always assured. Try one or two Sunday's dinner, and you'll wish it was Sunday every day.



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